



The Circuit Writer

Barts Centenary
United Methodist Church
Littlestown, Pennsylvania 17340

February 2025

**Active Worship In Person Sunday mornings at 8 am
Worship In Person Sunday mornings at 10 AM**

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February Greetings BCUMC Family!

Well, winter has well and truly made itself known in January. As we move into February, I'm sure we will see more of the same, leaving us with more indoor time to dig into our scriptures, and set aside time for prayer and contemplation. I hope that you are taking advantage of our Right Now Media Resource and seeking out ways to grow in your discipleship during this ordinary time between Christmas and Lent.

During February we will continue to explore our identity as Disciples of Jesus, Children of God, and citizens of the Already/Not Yet Kingdom that with the empowerment of the Holy Spirit we are assisting Jesus to build. In other words, what it means to be the body of Christ. We will also continue our 28-day prayer experiment, Dynamite Prayer, seeking guidance for how God is calling us specifically to continue building that kingdom and engage in ministry in 2025 and beyond at Barts Centenary. I hope you are praying along, with an open spirit and listening ears.

Blessings to you and yours,
Rev. Tammy Blose

P.S. Friends as we continue to walk in a tense political landscape, I encourage you to remember that as a follower of Christ and child of God your primary identity is found in your faith, not in your politics. We recently sang the hymn "They will Know we are Christians by our Love;" let that continue to be true of the people who make our congregation at BCUMC our church family.



February 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Boy Scout Pizza Pickup
2 8 am Active Worship 9 am Sunday School 10 am <i>Scout Sunday</i>	3 Boy Scouts	4 5:30 Hungry for More	5 ZUMBA Cub Scouts	6 3 pm Prayer Shawl 7 pm Choir 8 pm Praise Team	7 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i>	8 Private Event
9 8 am Active Worship 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship with Childrens Church	10 Boy Scouts	11 3:30 United Women in Faith	12 ZUMBA 3:30 GFWC Cub Scouts	13 No Choir Rehearsal	14 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i>	15
16 8 am Active Worship 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship with Childrens Church	17 Boy Scouts	18 6:30 Historical Society	19 ZUMBA Cub Scouts	20 7 pm Choir 8 pm Praise Team	21 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i> 6:30 Historical Society Board meeting	22
23 8 am Active Worship 9 am Sunday School 10 am Contemporary Worship with Childrens Church	24 Boy Scouts	25 6 pm Cub Scout Leader 7 pm Boy Scout Leader	26 ZUMBA Cub Scouts	27 7 pm Choir 8 pm Praise Team	28	





ACTIVE
WORSHIP
 SUNDAYS AT 8 AM
 IN OVERFLOW CHAPEL

Beginning September 8th

Active Worship is a worship service designed for adults with the same goals we have in mind when we plan worship for children and youth. Goals like making sure the worshippers have the opportunity to be active and engaged. Communion will be received each Sunday, and everyone will be an active participant in the worship experience. Worship engagement will differ from week to week but include opportunities to place yourself into the biblical narrative through imagination and activity and provide time to share in prayer, insight, and questions with others. This is not your parent's worship service! Come out and try something new. Active Worship begins at 8 AM on Sunday, September 8th, in the overflow Chapel.

Sermon Series: Being the Body of Christ

February 2 – Communion – Scout Sunday

Text 1- Luke 4:21-30 Theme text- 1 Cor. 13. Message- Love

February 9

Text 1- Luke 5:1-11 Theme text- 1 Cor. 15:1-11 Message- Receiving and Handing it on Song

February 16

Text 1- Luke 6:17-26 Theme text- 1 Cor 15:12-20 Message- People of the Risen

February 23

Luke 6:27-38 Theme text- 1 Cor. 15:35-38, 42-50 Message- Perishable & Imperishable

March 2, 2025 – Transfiguration Sunday - Communion

Text 1-Exodus 33:29-35 Theme text- Luke 9:28-36. Message- Transfiguration

Check out our Pastor's Lenten Bible Study on RightNow Media.

This is a great study to invite your children or grandchildren to do along with you. Check out the trailer in RightNow Media.



March & April.

Who are you Following? By Sadie Robertson Huff on RightNow Media

-10 AM Tuesdays, In Person Study 18th, 25th, April 1st, 8th, 15th

-7PM Wednesdays, ZOOM Study 19th, 26th, April 2nd, 9th, 16th

Meeting ID: 839 3493 0119 Passcode: 780926

Who Are You Following?

SADIE ROBERTSON HUFF

Following Jesus reminds us of our real identity.

Social media is a great place to keep up with family, friends, and your favorite influencers online, but if we're not careful, we can get caught trying to become who we're following on social media, rather than following Jesus and becoming more like him. We can start trusting voices of people we've never met over the One voice who knows and loves us most.

In this five-session experience, Sadie challenges us to consider who we're following and how we are influenced. What would it look like if we were led by God's love instead of by strangers' likes? Join Sadie Robertson Huff as she answers the tough questions and reminds us of whose glory we're really living for. Together, we will learn how to face our mistakes with divine perspective and discover where our true fulfillment is found in Jesus.

This study is perfect for young Christians wondering how they can live a vibrant, bold, and uncompromising life of faith in God by following the Messiah—the ultimate influencer. Discover the love, purpose, and fulfillment that is found only in Jesus.

What's next? **April & May**

-7PM Tuesdays, In Person Study 22nd, 29th, May 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th, June 3rd

-7PM Wednesdays, ZOOM Study 23rd, 30th, May 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th, June 4th

Armor of God by Priscilla Shirer

UWF News



We have started a New Year with a new series of topics for our Meetings. Our Program Book is titled “Carrying Our Faith Forward”. We started our year with ‘Made in God’s Image and Smell of Life’.

Peggy put us through a sensory session that led us to water. Her topics that she gets from the Program Book only fill about 15-20 minutes of our meeting time. They are very close to a Bible Study and we leave the meeting with lots to think about and most lift us up. We follow the program with our Business Meeting. We try to keep this part short also. Our group is very dedicated to the work of the church and community so we do break up all the areas throughout the year and organize our activities accordingly.

The women are scheduled to have a Sub/Sandwich sale for March. We will start taking orders as soon as forms are available around the 15th of February. We will be sure to let everyone know.

If you can’t make it to church each Sunday, all information comes to you in the Mid-week and Sunday announcements that Pastor sends out by e-mail.

Hoping everyone is staying warm.

United Women in Faith

Beverly

**Hungry for More dinner
February 4th
5:30 pm**

Dinner is Lasagna & Salad



DONUT DAY

The youth and young at Heart will make donuts Sunday March 2nd starting at 9:00

There will be a time of fellowship and donuts after the service



CALLING ALL BCUMC WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

Can you cover any of the slots that are open in our calendar for the next 3 months? If you can, please contact Beverly in the church office 717-359-5600 or home at 717-359-9522.

Date	Special Dates	Greeters	Counters	Communion	Liturgists-10:00
Feb 2 2025	Communion & Scout Sunday	Ted & Amy Debnam	Davis/Carter	Dave Wolf/ Laura Fair	Scout
Feb 9 2025		Penny & Rob Segessenman	Segessenman/ Bennett		Barb Herman
Feb 16 2025		Joanne & John Bennett	Davis/Carter		Gloria Gouker
Feb 23 2025	Praise Team	Barb Herman & Gwen	Clarke/Updyke		Praise Team
Mar 2 2025	Donut Sunday & Communion	Ted & Amy Debnam	Davis/Carter	Peggy Clarke/ Beverly Carter	Peggy Clarke
Mar 8 2025	Ash Wednesday				
Mar 9 2025	Daylight Savings	Penny & Rob Segessenman	Segessenman/ Bennett		Penny Segessenman
Mar 16 2025		Joanne & John Bennett	Davis/Carter		
Mar 23 2025	Praise Team	Barb Herman & Gwen	Clarke/Updyke		Praise Team
Mar 30 2025					

Pastoral Care Reminder

Hospital

If you are in the hospital and would like a pastoral visit, please have a family member or friend call me or text me at 717-350-1345, or email me at tblose@susumc.org and let me know you desire a visit. I am more than happy to visit, and to pray for you and with you. Please do not assume I will receive notification from the hospital, that notification is spotty at best, and I also do not want to assume that you want a visit if instead you desire privacy at the hospital.

Home

If you are interested in a Pastoral Visit with or without communion at home, please contact me at the same phone number or email or call the church office 717-359-5600 on Monday or Wednesday from 9-1 and schedule a visit or communion through the office. I will make every effort to connect with you in a timely manner.

Most Sincerely ~ Pastor Tammy



Groundhog Day Word Search

H U V G V B H F Z F T R W L X C L H Y P
H I Y Q A Z E H O L C A E I K V Y D Q W
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K A V U R O J O D A E D A P M A E E Q O
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CLOUDY FORECAST PREDICT SUNNY
EARLY GROUNDHOG SHADOW WEATHER
FEBRUARY HIBERNATE SPRING WINTER



Jan. 1, 2024 - Dec. 31 2024 Financial Report

\$173,263.50 - General Operating Fund Receipts, Interest, Hall Rental & Fund Raising Income

\$ 15,993.67 - Plus monies received for Funds for Specific Purposes

\$189,257.17 - Total Available

\$179,134.36 - Less Expenses (Salaries, Utilities, Shares of Min., Improvements, Ins., etc.)

\$ 10,122.81 - Net amount that each Fund Balance increased or decreased.

Current Balance in **General Operating Fund** is **\$32,444.40**.

Current Balance in **Funds for Specific Purposes** is **\$49,083.67** not including the growth fund. These monies include gifts to Maintenance & Repairs, Memorials, Missions (Hungry for More), Kitchen Maintenance, Sound System, Choir Music, Scholarship Fund, Cemetery Fund, Etc.

Additionally this year you have very generously given **\$650.00 to Ruth's Harvest, \$800.00 to the Scouts, \$300.00 to Camp Scholarships, \$3,215.29 to UMCOR, \$100.00 to Heifer International and \$316 for the AED.**

If you have any questions, please ask a member of your finance team – Chairperson: Yvonne Davis, Treasurer: Michelle Johnson or Financial Secretary: Joanne Bennett

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- 3 Richard Messinger
- 5 Doris Morgret
- 7 Roger Gouker
- 8 Jake Herman
- 9 Kristen Evans
- 10 Diane Kuhns
- 16 Taylor Hollie
- 16 Mercury Updyke
- 17 Melia Ogle
- 19 Jennings Keller
- 19 Cole Markle
- 24 Kylee Thomas
- 25 Brenda Lyter
- 26 Jocelyn Ortiz
- 27 Sharon Kohne



Zumba Gold Group

Each Wednesday from 10:00 – 10:45 AM
For only \$3 per person, you can join the class held in the Fellowship Room at BCUMC. Join the fun as we strengthen our bodies and spirits!

A Prayer Room will be available in the front of the church (The Overflow Room)

Monday and Wednesday from 9 AM – 1 PM for anyone who would like some solitary time in a sacred space, also available before and after worship, and by request (text/call Pastor at 717-350-1345)

Church Office Open Monday and Wednesday
9 AM – 1 PM.



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The Deadline for the March newsletter information will be Wednesday, February 19th.

PASTOR TAMMY'S CONTACT INFORMATION:

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